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Applicant:

Ashkenazi et al.

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the August 4, 1998, Office Action, and as discussed via telephone between the Examiner in this matter and Applicants' undersigned representative counsel, Applicants are providing herewith a replacement set of the references filed with the December 17, 1997, Information Disclosure Statement.

Because Applicants' IDS and the original set of references was timely filed, it is believed that no additional fees are due at this time. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider each reference and initial the 1449 form accordingly. A copy of the Form 1449 (as was originally filed on December 17, 1997) is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

> Respectfully submitted, Ashkenazi et al., By their Attorneys,

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